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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR sections 1.97 and 1.98, applicant respectfully requests that the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449, be made of record and considered in connection with the examination of this application. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed. A translation of the foreign language document(s) is not readily available.

The documents submitted herewith were cited in a Search Report (copy enclosed issued in European application corresponding to the above-referenced application.

U.S. Patent No. 5,025,870 discloses a hand-held tool with a displaceable spring-loaded handle.

International Publication W0 02/083369 discloses a hand-held tool with a vibration-damped handle (2). The handle is connected with the tool housing (1) by two levers (4,5) which extends parallel to each other and substantially perpendicular to a tool axis (3). The two levers (4,5) are hingedly connected with

both the housing and the handle. Damping means in form of a spring 12 is arranged between a horizontal leg of the handle 2 and the housing 1.

European Publication EP 0849492 discloses a parallel displacement single axis vibration absorber.

European Publication EP 0865134 discloses a repair part for a cable duct formed of two half-shells (1,2) one (1) of which has, in the contact area of the two shells, a groove (13) in which a spring (12) provided on the end surface of another (2) of the shells engager. With one of the walls (15) of the groove (13) being deformable, the double wedge-shaped spring (15) having flanks, which extend at different angle to the spring axis, can be removably inserted into the groove.

Germany Utility Model DE 20129122 UI discloses a percussion hammer having a motor-driver, percussion mechanism and three handles (6a, 6b, 6c). The motor (3) and the crank gear that transmits motion to the percussion mechanism are surrounded by a housing (2) which, in turn, is surrounded by a protection head (5) to which the handles (6a, 6b, 6c) are secured. A parallel lever mechanism (8a, 8b, 9a, 9b) provides for displacement of the housing (2) and the hood (5) relative to each other and parallel to the hammer axis. For damping vibrations, a spring (19), which is formed of two arcuate leaf springs (20a, 20b) with their concave surfaces facing each other, is arranged between respective walls of the housing (2) and the hood (5).

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